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# Valley College Welcomes You

## Registration Is Easy at Valley

It is easy to register at Valley College. This semester may be a bit confusing though, so please bear with us. This is the first time we will be using computers to aid in the enrollment process.

To become a part of our campus, just fill out an application form and a registration card, then pick up an enrollment appointment. All three may be obtained in the Administration Building at the West Counter.

If you prefer, to save time when enrolling you may take a copy of the Schedule of Classes with you and plan your program while at home. Otherwise, you may choose your courses at the time you register.

It is a good idea to have alternate selections in case a class you want is closed. The new computer can tell instantly if you have picked a course that is no longer open.

The ensure that the computers are not making any errors, people will manually double-check your enrollment this semester only.

Next semester you probably will be able to go right to the computer after deciding which classes to take.

Another thing that makes registration so easy is the large selection of classes. Valley offers something for everyone. You can choose from more than 100 subject fields. For the best choice, apply early.

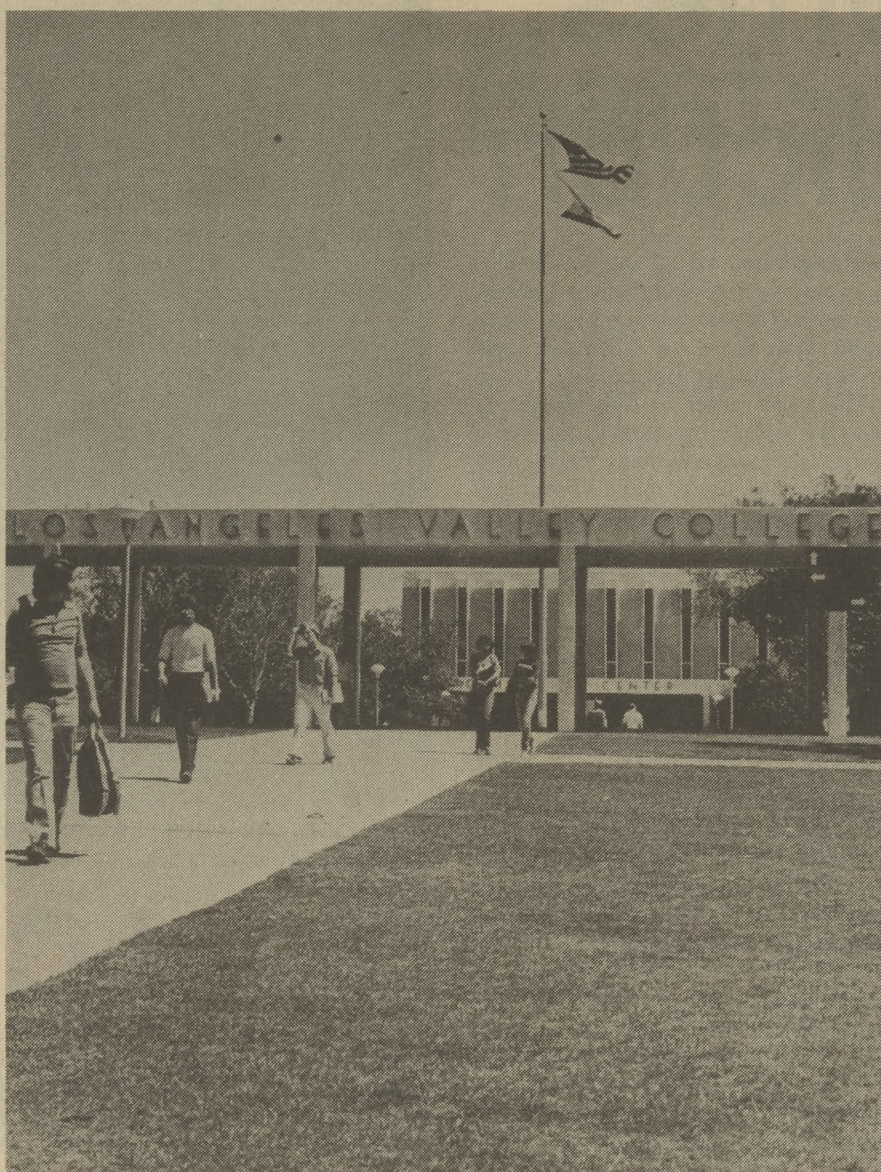
Enrollment for new and returning students begins Aug. 18 and continues through Sept. 12. A limited number of appointments will be given out for each half hour from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. and from 6 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

If you cannot come at your scheduled time, appointments may be postponed.

Late enrollment will be accepted from Sept. 15 to Sept. 18 and one-stop enrollment lasts from Sept. 22 till Sept. 24.

When you come to register, bring your appointment card and a writing implement to Monarch Hall, the first enrollment station. Further instructions will be provided there.

If you need help in planning your program, counselors will be happy to offer their assistance either by appointment or on a drop-in basis. Their offices are located in the Administration Building.



**MEETING A CHALLENGE**—At Valley students such as these are constantly meeting and overcoming challenges. Students come not only from the Valley but from around the world to participate in the learning experience LAVC has to offer.

## College Still Tuition Free

For over 30 years students have found Valley College to be just what they were looking for in a community college. It combined the many factors necessary in order for learning to take place, and over the years, found the key to becoming an integral force in the community as well.

So after 30 years, as students stream past the West Counter in Administration, guess what they've found? Nothing has changed! Naturally students, faculty, and curriculum will come and go, but the basic principles upon which Valley was founded remain the same.

Today any student may register and attend Valley completely tuition free (providing he is a legal resident of the state of California) a service unknown in any other state.

With the onset of Proposition 13 services were cut back, classes were dropped, but tuition was not imposed! This, in the face of a shaky economy as well as severe spending limitations, says much about Valley's continued high value on a free college education.

Valley opened its doors in September 1949 in what was, even

then, a central location. Located in Van Nuys, in the heart of the San Fernando Valley, it offers opportunity for students of all ages and backgrounds and from all over Southern California, as well as a variety of foreign countries.

Once enrolled at Valley and embarked on a course of study, what can a student expect from the college? According to Valley President Alice J. Thurston almost unlimited opportunity to learn about society, the country, the world around him, and, not incidentally, himself.

If you plan on attaining a degree chances are good that you'll receive one of the best programs (either in the arts or sciences) in the Los Angeles Community College District. And don't be surprised, when you go out into the job market to find many former Valley graduates successfully employed.

If you've come to college to fulfill some personal goals you're almost guaranteed to find courses that fit what you are looking for.

In the words of Dr. Thurston, "The future you save may be your own." Do it now! Valley College.



## Student Affairs Has the Answer

For questions concerning classes, grades, enrollment or schedules, students automatically think of the Administration Office. But what about the Homecoming Dance, an anti-draft rally, or student government...even lost and found?

"We're a 'catch-all' center," remarked Linda Robinson about the Office of Student Affairs of which she is assistant coordinator. "We handle just about anything that isn't directly related to academia. We're kind of a co-curricular activity."

The Office of Student Affairs, located at Campus Center 100, has a list of responsibilities that's potentially endless. As a matter of fact, just about anything that no one else knows what to do with gets passed along to that Office.

Many of their activities are listed in the Monarch Handbook, which is published by that office. Initially, they are advisers to the Associated Student Body (ASB) and Interorganization Council (IOC).

The Office of Student Affairs is also a clearing house for requests to post or distribute any materials (petitions, circulars, newspapers, posters, or other printed matter), reserve rooms or areas for activities, or hold events, including those that require Monarch Hall stage facilities.

"...not police..."

"A lot of people misunderstand our function," Robinson said. "We are not a police agency. We are an advisory agency. When we ask people to bring their posters or printed material to this office for 'approval'—or better yet, for 'clearing'—we aren't

really 'approving' anything. We just want to know what the material is and keep a copy on file for future reference. We may not personally agree with everything that's distributed on this campus, but we aren't in a judgmental position. When we 'approve' something for distribution or posting, the college is not giving its sanction. It means we are aware of the activity and that the responsible parties have been made aware that there are rules, regulations, and procedures for distribution and activities," she added.

"It's like having someone in your home—you wouldn't want them standing on your furniture...they have to be made aware of what you expect of them," she concluded.

### Spring Fever

"It gets kind of hectic around here in the Spring," Robinson laughed. And for good reason. ASB officer elections, the Red Cross Blood Drive, the Dean's Reception for honor students, the Commencement Breakfast and Commencement Exercises are all major undertakings whose responsibility begins with the Office of Student Affairs, and all are held in the spring semester.

The Office also handles student disciplinary actions and student grievances. Robinson noted that many students seek guidance for grievances with the various student deans or even the college president before going through the Office of Student Affairs.

"We're not saying you can't go see a dean if your feel you must, but there are proper channels, just like in any

other institution. President Thurston would be glad to talk to anyone, but she's very, very busy and has a tremendous amount of responsibility. So, if we can solve the problem at this level, the student won't have to go that route. But, if we can't, we certainly will go all the way to her office if it's necessary."

The Fireside and Recreation rooms, both located in the Campus Center, are for student enjoyment. They are maintained by the Student Affairs Office, as well as a reading file of in-

formation pertinent to students. Campus Center 100 is also where students go to report lost or found property. A record is kept of the report, and definite efforts are made to match owners to items.

"People come in here with all kinds of questions, too," Robinson said. "They look at us in a more personal, relaxed way than the Administration Office. We're a sort of referral service a lot of times. But, that's what we're here for. We always try to help out all we can."

## Need A Little 'Space?' Try VC's Parking Lots!

Valley College has a space for you...and your car.

There are seven parking lots on campus, containing 4,207 parking places, approximately 50 of which are designed for the physically disabled.

Free parking is available in three areas: College Road North from the entrance on Fulton Avenue to the entrance on Oxnard Street, the portion of Lot G which is south and east of the baseball stadium, and the Coldwater Canyon Extension. Currently all other parking areas require students to have a decal on their cars. (See map on page 4 for exact locations of parking lots.)

Lots B and H also may become free in the fall if the Board of Trustees adopts a proposal presently before them, said Ray Follosco, coordinator of student affairs.

You may obtain your free parking sticker by presenting your paid ID at the Business Office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For the privilege of on-campus parking, a few simple rules must be observed.

Unless you have a special parking permit, the following areas are off-limits: 1. Spaces next to blue and white painted curbs are for the handicapped only. 2. Numbered stalls are reserved for the faculty and staff.

"This rule is strictly enforced," said Wally Gudzus, captain of campus security.

Violators will be cited the maximum \$35 for parking in a space reserved for the handicapped. Fines for other infractions range from \$5 to \$35. Tickets are processed by the Los Angeles Municipal Court.

Other violations include parking after the last space in a row, parking in a lot requiring a sticker, if you do not have one, parking in a visitor zone (green curb), and speeding.

The speed limit is 8 miles per hour in the parking lots and 15 miles per hour on campus roads.

Even though the first few weeks are especially hectic, you can greatly improve the situation if you remember to be considerate of others using the lots. Park only between the parallel lines and in stalls reserved for you.

## Membership in ASB Still Economical Buy

With the average price for a movie at \$4, records and tapes selling for \$7, and the cost of a concert bordering on unaffordable, buying an Associated Student Body membership is a bargain.

Having an ASB ID entitles you to a free admission or reduced rates to theater arts productions, film series, concerts, dances, athletic programs, forensics, and assemblies.

The nominal fee of \$9.50 if you are taking more than eight units or \$5 if you are carrying eight units or less supports class-related activities such as the Art Gallery and theater arts productions. The funds also enable the library to remain open on weekends.

Membership may be purchased in the Administration Building at the time you enroll or at the Business Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.

Not only does membership entitle you to an on-campus parking permit, but allows you to participate in clubs

and organizations, conferences, intramural and intercollegiate athletics, and student government.

In addition, the money helps fund many campus activities, such as Homecoming, child care services, commencement, Campus Center recreation, Evening Division activities, athletics, opera productions, and the Marching and Concert Band.

Students may enjoy outdoor rock concerts, music from the Choir and Chamber Chorale, dances and entertainment, and listening to our radio station, KVCM, all of which receive money from the membership fees.

Having an ASB ID further entitles you to financial aid, free legal aid, and a copy of Crown—our feature magazine, which is published at the end of each semester.

Loans, scholarships, and tutorial services are also supported by ASB.

These are just a few of the events which are provided for you with the help of ASB funding.

Where else can you get so much for so little?

## Associated Students Make Valley Important Force in Community

The ASB is you! Whether you're here to earn a degree or to take some refresher courses, the Associated Students can and will play an important role in your time here.

Films, lectures, dances, athletic activities, scholarships, and legal services are but a small sampling of the services provided by the Associated Students.

The governing body of the ASB is the Executive Council, made up of 15 offices, designed to serve students and act as a liaison between administrators on the campus, district, and state level.

Office are: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Chief Justice, Commissioner of Social Activities, Commissioner of Public Relations, Commissioner of Scholastic Activities, Commissioner of Intramural Sports, Commissioner of Black Ethnic Studies, Commissioner of Jewish

Ethnic Studies, Commissioner of Chicano Ethnic Studies, Commissioner of Special Limitations, Commissioner of Evening Division, Commissioner of Elections, Commissioner of Campus Improvement.

In addition there are two paid positions, those of Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary. College course units are given to those who serve on Council and qualify.

President for the 1980-81 school year is Suheel Ghareib. He is confident that this year promises great things for Valley. "I was elected by the students and I am here to work for them no matter what it takes. I will do everything in my power to work with anyone to benefit the students. My term in office will strictly concentrate on students rights and ways of improving campus life," he said.



**A LION'S WELCOME**—is what awaits newcomers to Valley. The lion, Valley mascot pictured here with a cheerleader, symbolizes Valley's winning attitude.

## COLLEGE MAJORS AVAILABLE

*Occupational Certificate	Chicano Studies	*Family and Consumer Studies	Italian	*Nursing, RN	Science
*Accounting	*Child Development	*Fashion & Retail Merchandising	*Jewelry Design	*Oceanography	*Secretarial Science
*Acting	*Cinema Arts	*Finance	*Jewish Studies	*Office Administration	*Secretary, Executive
*Administration of Justice	*Color TV Servicing	*Fire Science	*Journalism	*Office Machines	*Secretary, General
*Advertising	*Computer/Information Science	French	Law	*Office Worker	*Sociology
*Afro-American Studies	*Cooperative Education	General Education	*Library Media Technology	*Personal Development	*Spanish
*Allied Health	*Dietetic Assistant	Geography	*Linguistics	*Philosophy	*Speech
Anatomy	*Design	German	*Magazine—Journalism	*Photography	*Stage
Anthropology	*Directing	Hebrew	*Management	*Photo—Journalism	*Statistics
Architecture	*Drafting	History	*Mathematics	*Physical Education	*Supervision
Art	*Early Childhood Education Aide	Health	*Mechanical Engineering	*Physical Science	*Television Technician
Astronomy	*Earth Science	*Health Services Management	*Medical Assisting	*Physics	*Theater Arts
*Banking	*Economics	Home Economics	*Merchandising	*Physiology	*Tool Design
Biology	*Education	*Hotel-Restaurant Management	*Metal Machining Technology	*Political Science	*Typing
*Biological, Marine	*Electronics	Humanities	*Meteorology	*Psychology	*Volunteer Program
*Biomedical Equipment	*Engineering, Civil	*Industrial Arts	*Mexican-American Studies	*Public Relations	Management
Botany	*Engineering, Electronic Drafting	*Industrial Technology/Manufacturing	*Microbiology	*Reading	*Word Processing
*Broadcasting	*Engineering, General	Insurance	*Mineralogy	*Real Estate	Zoology
*Business	*Engineering, Geology	*Interior Design Merchandising	*Motion Picture Technician	*Recreation Assistant	
*Ceramics Design	English	*Investments	*Music	*Respiratory Therapy	
Chemistry	Environmental Studies		*Newspaper—Journalism	Russian	
	*Exceptional Children Teacher's Aide		*Nursing, LVN	Salesmanship	



## President's Message

# Learning Becomes Satisfying Addiction



DR. ALICE THURSTON

People who go to school at Valley College or work here are usually very proud of Valley College. Some of the reasons why we feel this way are described in this special issue of the Valley Star, our college newspaper, which has consistently won high national accolades. You will be discovering for yourself additional and more

subtle characteristics which make Valley a fine college: the fine quality of instruction and the real concern faculty have for students, the consistent friendliness of the staff, the interest in issues which pervades the campus, the excellence of concerts and plays and other college activities, and the general maturity of students,

whatever their actual age. Valley College is truly the place where there is something for everyone who wants to learn and grow as a person, and discover exciting new vistas.

The vital factor in this process is you. By getting involved in the life of the college, you will make Valley part of you and you will make it your college. At the same time, you will be making Valley a stronger and more vital institution. Valley College is a place where you can test your goals and develop your potential. For many students, the College provides ways to be intellectually alive.

Sometimes students come with the crazy notion that learning is hard and dull. It may be hard, especially at first, but what does one ever achieve of value that does not require a good deal of effort? But dull? No! Once you discover the exhilaration of learning you will be hooked—for a lifetime. This is the most satisfying addiction I know. To communicate better, to understand more, to discover new facets of yourself is the ultimate reward. Nowhere else in the world can you do this, tuition free, except in California. Millions of people throughout the world do not have these opportunities. Shakespeare wrote, "We must take the current when it serves, or lose the venture."

ALICE THURSTON  
PRESIDENT



LIVE LONG AND PROSPER—is what Mathew Matilon seems to be saying as he swings into action at the carnival sponsored by the Child Care Center.

## Child Care Available For Student Parents

Do you want to attend college but feel hindered due to a lack of proper child care at reasonable rates?

Well, hesitate no longer. Valley College's Child Development Center offers a variety of activities to keep your youngsters busy and happy while you are in classes. Parents can remain happy too since the rates are commensurate with their income and figured on a sliding scale. Free care is available for children of low income parents.

The Center, located near the corner of Oxnard and Ethel Avenues, provides the children with practical learning experiences. Through the encouragement and support of the teachers and the stimulation of the environment, your children are afforded the chance to grow socially, physically, emotionally, cognitively, and morally.

Activities available to achieve this include reading, carpentry, music, cooking, arts and crafts, science experimentation, gardening, and animal care, as well as playing in the sandboxes, climbing on the jungle gyms, creating a tricycle traffic jam, and sharing ideas with children their own age.

In addition to providing an oppor-

tunity for student-parents to attend college the Center serves two other purposes. It offers enrolled children an exemplary program and gives Valley students, registered in classes such as psychology, child development, and education, an opportunity to observe children and to participate in their activities.

The Center provides care for children of both day and evening students. Day care is available bet-

ween 7:45 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday for youngsters 2½ to 5 years old while evening care is offered Monday through Thursday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for ages 2½ to 10. Homework assistance is available for those enrolled in the evening program.

Application information may be obtained from the Center or by calling either 781-1200, Ext. 231 or 988-8570.

## Senior Adult Program Appeals To Education-Oriented Students

Valley College boasts more than 8,000 actively participating senior adult students and the country's only senior program of its kind.

"We're unique," brags Senior Adult Program director Lois Hamer. "This is the only campus in the country with this kind of program. Our classes are all designed for seniors, though we have a lot of younger students participating."

"Gold Card" programs are widely varied with workshops and seminars on senior citizen issues and classes from acupressure to assertiveness training, great books, crafts of every description, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and from out-of-town field trips (called Days of Discovery) to genealogy and the martial arts.

Over 12,500 "Gold Cards" have

been issued from the Senior Adult Office, located on campus in Bungalow 49. Gold cards are available to anyone 60 or older and retired, or 65 or older regardless of retirement status. Free of charge, the cards entitle the bearer to 50 percent discount on all college fees and free or discounted access to many Valley cultural events.

"We have all kinds of people in our program," Hamer said. "Many have degrees already, even Ph.D.'s. Our members are education-oriented; they're people who want to keep active, keep on learning and continue to make a valuable contribution to society. A lot of people go through our programs and then go on to take regular college courses. It's sort of a liaison."

Hamer said there is a strong demand for health-oriented, history,

English, travel-education and personal development classes. Every year, the program sponsors the "Senior Prom" with an average patronage of 800-1,000 couples.

In addition to its academic programs, the office offers Gold Card students all-volunteer employment services, year 'round cultural events, reading field, newsletter, and the campus' largest, most active club. The Senior Students Club is a service-oriented club with a membership of more than 200 senior citizens. It meets the first and third Thursdays monthly.

For information about the Senior Adult Program, call the college at 781-1200, Ext. 399, or visit Bungalow 49.

## Physical Disabilities Prove No Barrier To Education for Handicapped Students

Having a physical disability is not a handicap to receiving a higher education at Valley College.

Our campus is more than 90 percent accessible. Ramps lead to most buildings and classrooms; electric doors provide easier entrance into the library, bookstore, Monarch Hall, cafeteria, and the Administration Building; and restrooms are equipped with grab bars.

A variety of services and equipment are offered at Valley to enable you to do as much as you can for yourself.

Specially trained counselors are available throughout the school year to aid and advise you not only with your academic problems but also with your personal ones. All you have to do is ask them. Their offices are

located in Room 126 of the Administration Building.

Students eligible to take advantage of these special provisions are those who have a temporary or permanent disability including blindness or partial sight, cardiac illness, cerebral palsy, deafness or hearing impairment, diabetes, epilepsy, limited locomotion, neurological or orthopedic disorders, physical function limitation, or respiratory ailment.

Services are set up to meet your individual needs.

Assistance in the enrollment process, filling out your application, planning your program, and exploring educational and vocational opportunities is offered.

Special parking spaces are available to the physically disabled.

A permit to use these stalls may be obtained in A 126 from George Kopoulos, coordinator of special programs for the handicapped.

For those who do not drive, buses that are accessible for wheelchairs are now in use in the San Fernando Valley. The Southern California Rapid Transit District has four local lines: 35, 88, 93, and 152. The 93 will bring you close to Valley College and the price is just 20 cents.

Scheduled to go into service in the fall is a 10-passenger vehicle which will pick students up at the bus stop and transport them to various locations on campus. The Phoenix Flyer gives priority ridership to the handicapped.

The blind, partially sighted, deaf, or hearing impaired may acquire in-

class assistance through the services of a note-taker.

Electronic equipment provided for those needing visual aid include a braille typewriter, print enlargers or magnifiers, and an OPTACON sensor which enables you to read by scanning your fingers over the letters of a book.

In addition, readers who will read textbooks to the visually impaired and interpreters skilled in sign language to assist those with a hearing impairment may be requested.

Special typewriters are among the equipment provided for those who have a functional writing disability.

Depending upon your needs, other aids are available, such as college orientation, elevator keys, mobility assistance, tutoring, a resource room, tape recorders, a talking book reproducer, wheelchairs, battery chargers, and a typewriter enabling you to type with one hand.

Taking a test will not create a problem either. If you need extra time or a special method of testing, such as having someone read the exam to you, the Special Programs Office will be of assistance.

Academic aids are not the only ones supplied. You may participate in an adaptive physical education program, swimming program, or wheelchair basketball. Or, if you were bitten by the acting bug, you may join the Comedy Improvisational Workshop.

Assistance in personal matters, such as locating housing, transportation, or financial aid is also offered through the Special Programs Office.

Referrals may be made to the California Department of Rehabilitation (DR) for possible sponsorship at Valley. Special arrangements for books and materials can be made at the bookstore for all DR students.

For more information or to enroll call George Kopoulos at 781-1200, Ext. 267 or at 781-8542. The direct line for only the deaf or hearing impaired is 781-8423. This number is connected to a teletype device.

Enroll now and do not let your disability handicap you.

## Operation Share Helps Students Attain Potential

For those willing to give a portion of their time and personality, there is more than just a degree waiting for them at Valley.

A non-profit organization called Operation Share is making great strides among elementary school students, with the help of Valley College student volunteers.

Operation Share, under the direction of Diane Minnich, sends tutors out into the community, in response to referrals from teachers, for assistance in math, reading, writing, social communication skills, and motor development.

From statistics and comments garnered from the past two semesters, the programs seems to be an unqualified success.

The tutors work with the children, either in their home or in school, giving them the benefit of a one-to-one relationship that is often lacking in their lives.

While one of the primary functions for the program is to produce better students an equally important aspect is to provide an adult figure the children can trust, not as parent or teacher figures but as Minnich explained, friends.

The tutors work closely with the child, not only in academics but also in activities outside the classroom. "It is important to remember that some of these children have never been out of their neighborhood," Minnich said. "One of our tutors took a kid to MacDonalds and it was one of the most exciting things he'd ever done."

Operation Share is funded by the government through a federal grant which covers school districts around California.

For information, students can go to the Information Booth in the Administration Building.

How many times have you missed receiving the higher grade on a test by a few points?

And how many times have you said, "If only I had had more time to study?"

Well, Valley College's Reading Center offers a solution to this common occurrence. It teaches you how to improve your study habits to make better use of the time you have available to prepare for an exam or to do homework.

"The Reading Center offers everything from basic reading skills to speed reading," said Ann Harootyan, language skills instructional assistant. "Due to inefficient study methods, students waste a lot of time

when doing homework assignments. Most don't read as effectively as they could because they've never really learned how. The same is true for study skills."

This program, which may be taken for one, two, or three units, provides instruction in a variety of skills, including notetaking, outlining, taking exams, and reading textbooks for comprehension.

Personal attention is provided for individual problems by the five instructors and one instructional assistant who comprise the Center's staff.

Of the 55 students who filled out the Center's questionnaire at the end of the Spring '80 semester, 39 said that the courses definitely helped them in their other classes.

The four self-improving courses offered through the Psychology Department are College Reading Skills, College Study Skills, Individualized Programs in Reading and Study Skills, and Power and Speed Reading.

These classes are especially recommended to students who are returning to school after an extended absence and to those for whom English is a second language; but they will provide benefits to all students.

"Even good readers will gain tremendous improvement from the Power and Speed Reading course," said Harootyan.

The Reading Center, which is directed by Eugene Raxten, chairperson of the Psychology Department, is located in Bungalows 56-58. It will be open in the fall from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Evening hours, which were not set before prestime, should be listed in the fall Schedule of Classes under both Reading and Psychology.

Further information may be obtained by calling 781-1200 Ext. 481 or by visiting the Center.

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MAKING THE GRADE—Dr. Monroe Richman awards handicapped student Bettina Dichter with her diploma as Dr. Max Heyman looks on.



# Campus VA Office Beats 'GI Blues'

Having served your duty to your country as a member of the armed forces; having come home and let your hair grow, you may now be considering taking advantage of some of those military benefits they kept telling you about, especially the G.I. education bill.

To assist Veterans in filling out paperwork, or with any number of issues, Valley has made available the Veteran's Affairs Office. It is under the direction of James Micko, World War II and Korean War flying ace and retired Air Force Reserve lieutenant colonel.

"Any veteran who plans to claim benefits should come to the VA office at his/her earliest possible convenience. In the case of someone who hasn't used the bill before, we can initiate his or her claim before the semester even begins. We can also facilitate the transfer of records from other schools if that's the case," Micko said.

The Valley Veteran's Affairs department offers a full range of services including academic, vocational and veteran's benefits counseling. Micko warns veterans that regular school counselors are not abreast of all the latest regs regarding GI benefits, therefore a vet's first on-campus pre-enrollment stop should be at the VA office located on the west side of the cafeteria building. The office is open one or two nights a week to accommodate those who can't come in during regular school hours. It is wise to call beforehand to confirm the hours.

In addition to the counseling services, the office also makes arrangements for students to receive additional payments for tutoring, maintains a limited emergency book loan

fund, and preserves files of every transaction between the student and VA on a permanent basis.

About 4 percent of the student body are vets receiving government subsidy. Micko noted that the average vet takes more class hours than regular students and takes heavier classes (engineering, math, science, technical) and tends to be more academically aggressive.

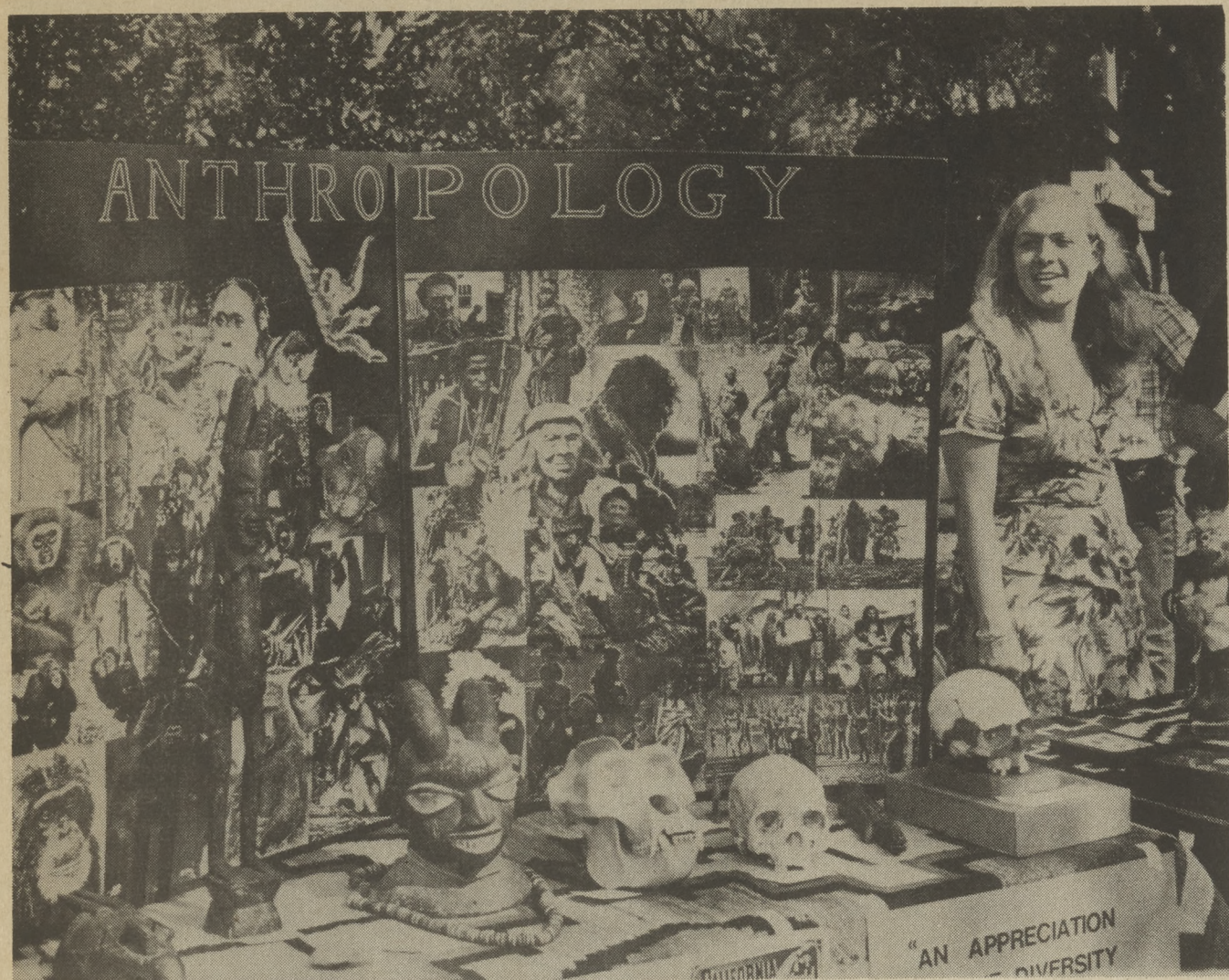
VA student John Hodgins (engineering major) who is in the VA work-study program at that office, commented that "veterans as a whole tend to have more demanding majors than the student body as a whole. I think it's probably because we have sufficient life experience to know that there's no 'free lunch.' We're also older than a lot of the students, and more mature."

"Retired" Marine Dyer "Mac" McHenry added, "We have a very positive attitude. Everybody's dif-

ferent, but we're all (in college) because we want to be."

Thanks to their motivation and the VA's strict standards of progress, VA students meet with a lot of success. Micko pointed out that only 13 students out of 886 who enrolled in Fall '79 - Spring '80 were disqualified due to excessive withdrawals and/or low grade point average (GPA). Of the 630 who successfully completed their courses of study, 59 brought home a 4.0 GPA, 70 had 3.5 GPA, 414 maintained GPAs of 2.0 - 3.0 and only 87 had GPAs below 2.0.

There are a total of seven programs under which a student could receive funds from the Veterans Administration, some of them affecting veterans' families as opposed to the veterans themselves. Micko encourages anyone who may even think he or she is eligible to receive benefits to contact the VA Office. Their Valley telephone number is 781-1200, Ext. 423.



HEADS UP—This exhibit from Club Day shows that, at Valley, anthropology is more than dry bookwork.

## Campus Clubs Exhibited With Country Fair Flair

You may have noticed, while walking on campus, that Valley has just about the widest variety of students this side of the United Nations. We like to think this is what makes our campus outstanding.

What could possibly bring all these people together on one campus over the course of a school year (besides U.S. History or English 1)?

Club Day! This gala event is sponsored by the 55 clubs on campus, and offers students a chance to come together for some fun and excitement, a break from the studying grind.

Students mill about in colorful garb, selling everything from bagels to jewelry. Club day features music, singers, dancers, and an atmosphere reminiscent of an old-time country fair.

In the process Valley has a chance to show off the many organizations on campus. For students with a

political bent there are the Valley College Young Republicans and the Democratic Club. Nurses can join one of three nursing clubs.

In addition to these, there are religious, ethnic, and honorary organizations to get involved in, both for the benefit of the campus and the community. For those who just can't keep their feet on the ground there are ski, sailing, dancing, and motorcycle clubs.

The majority of these clubs meet at 11 a.m. Tuesdays or Thursdays. More information is available in Campus Center 102.

Can't find a club to interest you? New clubs are forming every semester, or get some friends together and start your own.

Once a club is formed it becomes part of the Inter-Organization Council, the body set up to govern all clubs and organizations. IOC co-

ordinates club activities, introduces legislation to benefit students, and promotes school spirit.

The council is made up of representatives from each of the registered campus clubs. The ASB vice-president is the presiding officer of the IOC. Meetings are held in Campus Center 104 Thursdays at noon.

## Coop-Ed Gives Credit For Job Experience

There is a unique program available to Valley students that enables them to work and attend school at the same time. The program: Cooperative Education.

It was started years ago, when instructors decided there should be some way of making classwork relevant to that which was going on outside the classroom.

Officially the goal of the Coop-Ed program is to "Make academic learning more relevant to occupational goals," according to Prof. Ethel Jorgenson, who is in charge of the Coop-Ed program.

The program gets its name from the cooperative effort made by three parties involved in the venture: Valley College, the employer, and the student/employee.

The list of jobs students are involved in are endless and varied, since the program works only with those students who are already employed, in an effort to provide them with more responsibility, and, in many cases, a promotion after they've shown they have potential.

To enroll in the class students should come to the first meeting of the eight class sessions available, or contact Udell Douglas, office manager, at Extension 272.

Although more emphasis is placed on working within the job at-

mosphere, the one hour a week class time is absolutely essential, says Jorgenson. There the students are encouraged to talk about problems encountered on the job, whether with supervisors, subordinates, customers, or co-workers.

Since the purpose of the class is to make students more saleable, many class discussions are held on how to promote students as employees. This includes lessons in time management, leadership, and problem solving, especially in groups. An innovation in the class is the greater emphasis on listening, which, according to Jorgenson, is much underrated. "There are many classes in speaking but none in how to listen. Without listening there is no communication taking place," she said.

## Financial Assistance Available To Ease College Money Woes

Getting through college is no easy task, and getting to be more of a headache every year. You can ease those nagging worries by looking into the many forms of financial aid offered by Valley College.

In order to be eligible to apply, students must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States, and must be enrolled at least half-time in a participating post-secondary institution.

Any student applying for aid must first fill out a Student Aid Appli-

cation of California (SAAC). This covers just about all possible financial aids, with the exception of scholarships and loans from private institutions.

The amount of aid received depends on a variety of factors. According to Gaston Green of the Financial Aids Office, students seeking aid are divided into four categories.

A dependant student can receive as much as \$2,170. A single, self-supporting student, \$5,490. Both a married student and a single student with one child can receive \$8,286. All amounts listed are minus the expected student contribution.

Green explained that the Financial Aids Office has continual funding up until May 15, 1981.

Over \$1 million was disbursed last year, with over 16,445 students coming through the Office.

## Speech Class Helps Students Learn English

For the hundreds of non-English speaking students that grace the halls at Valley, there is a class that is worth its weight in vowels and consonants.

Prof. John Buchanan's English as a Second Language class deals with topics such as dialogue, intonation patterns, and phrasing as well.

Buchanan stressed that to be the most effective, the class can only work with those students who have a basic, working knowledge of English, both written and oral. "This is not a basic course in how to speak English," he said. "For those who know nothing it would be very difficult...and a lot would be misunderstood."

What the class does is to go one step beyond what would be taught in a basic English class. Students are taught to pronounce English correctly and to be aware of the many different factors involved in communicating on a day to day basis. Thus, the class proves invaluable for those who have extreme accents or wish to enlarge their vocabulary.

Last semester 24 different countries were represented in the class. "For those who do understand English the class can be extremely profitable," said Buchanan.

English as a Second Language is officially known as Speech 9 and can be taken twice. Two classes each are available in the evening and during the day.

## Blue-Gray Force Keeps Campus Safe, Skillfully Answers Many First Aid Calls

The men in blue and gray are the men to call for assistance at Valley College. They are professionals in the field of police protection and are experts in advanced first aid and safety.

"Our recruits take their training at the sheriff's academy and go through 20 weeks of stringent regimentation. They are trained as any other police officer," said Wally Gudzus, Captain of the LAVC Safety and Police Services. "On this campus our force consists of nine officers, six student workers and two clerical workers. We cover the campus around the clock, there is always someone on duty," he said.

The Los Angeles Community College District has maintained its own police force since 1969. Each of the nine campuses has a police staff of at least nine officers. A college can have as many as 12 officers, depending upon the size and location of the campus.

"Prior to 1969, all the community colleges had a security system in operation that consisted mainly of spot checks. During the time of the anti-war demonstrations there was a definite need for resident police service," explained Gudzus, "there are approximately 100 officers on the community college force, eight of whom are women."

The duties and authorities of the officers are the same as those of any police force. They are trained in the use and care of firearms and are authorized to carry them. "We always have access to our weapons but don't carry them. The need for firearms here at Valley is minimal. In my career at Valley, I have only drawn my gun three times," said Gudzus, who was formerly with the Los Angeles Police Department. Gudzus has been with Valley College 20 years, the last 10 have been full time employment and prior to his retirement in 1969, Gudzus worked part time.

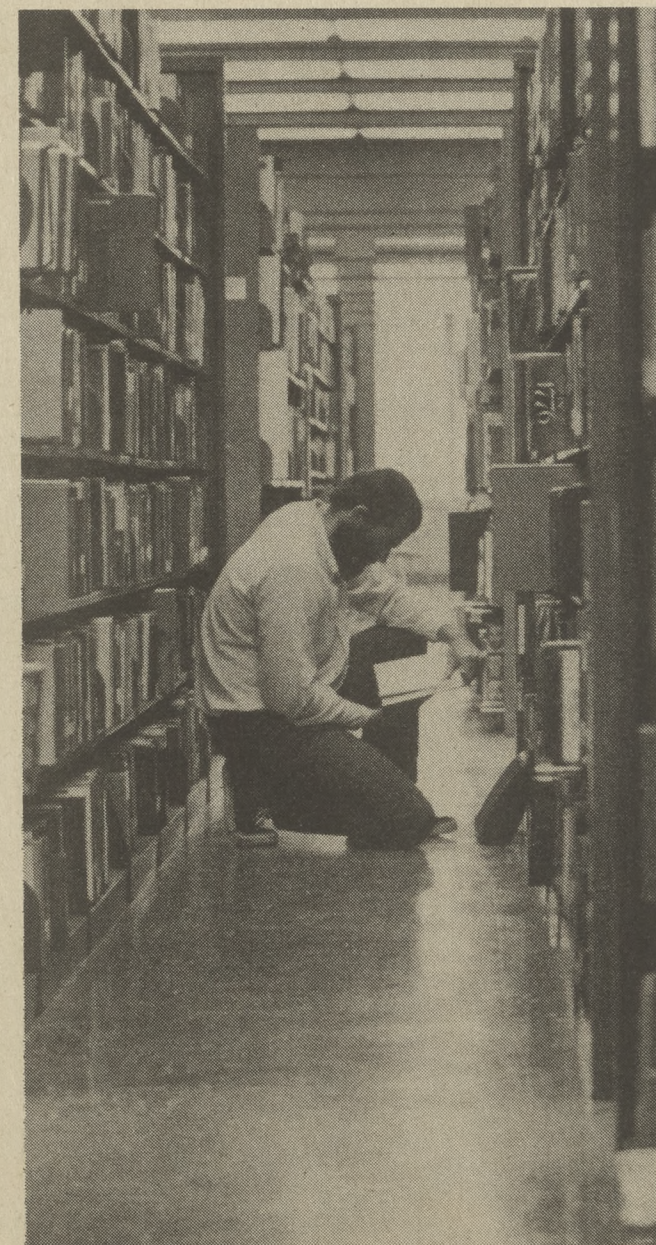
"The jurisdiction of our staff covers the campus only. However we work closely with the LAPD and are in constant communication with them. They always back us up and we always back them up," said Gudzus.

Asked what three most common calls for assistance to his staff are, the captain explained, "we get calls for first aid often, we respond mostly to illness and injury calls. The traffic and parking here are perennial sources of problems. And finally, we do have auto thefts and break-ins. The best protection against this is to camouflage any valuable that you must leave in your car."



DIVING FOR VALLEY—Of the many fine sports available in Valley's athletic program, swimming ranks highly.

## Check It Out at the Library: 115,000 Books Plus One Hug



BOOKS AND SO MUCH MORE—LAVC boasts one of the most impressive collections of books in the Valley, but is also ready with a trained staff for any questions students might have on how to get information.

When you're looking at 30 pages of biology notes, need a book on the origins of the toaster, or are sent to research that history term paper, what better place to go than the Valley College library? Well, maybe your mother's house is more comfortable, but the library offers a bonus with each visit, a warm hug!

That's right, nowhere else but at Valley College can you receive a dose of "hug therapy" when you go to do that research. Librarian Barbara Toohey instituted the friendly practice about two years ago, on the premise that "touching was what this society was lacking."

The brainstorm originated from an experiment conducted by psychology classes at Purdue University, who found that students who participated in the experiment, who were touched lightly by the librarians, reacted more positively toward school, the library, and themselves.

Toohey was attracted to the idea—but soon realized it might be considered weird or strange, especially in Southern California; she finally came up with what she calls "hug therapy." "Hugs are nice, straightforward things," she said.

And, if, by chance, you wander in looking for a book, there are over 115,000 to choose from.

The library is one of the largest in the Valley, with a card catalog that lists not only all the audio cassettes, video cassettes, filmstrips, slides, and programmed books in the Learning Center.

Many reference books are available, including dictionaries, encyclopedias, yearbooks, and volumes of collective biography, such as Who's Who in America.

In the periodicals room you can find current information on every topic imaginable. The library subscribes to more than 800 magazines and journals, ranging from Accounting Review to Mademoiselle to Zoologica. Among the ten daily newspapers received are the New York Times, The Christian Science Monitor, and the Wall Street Journal.

A pamphlet collection, also located in the periodicals room, is filed in folders by subject and is kept constantly up-to-date. There are also files which contain materials giving information about vocations and professions.

If you need guidance in finding a book, magazine, or information on a certain topic, a staff of eager-to-help and experienced librarians is always available to assist you.

All enrolled students can check out library materials by showing their I.D. card. The library is open Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.



# Campus Center Provides Both Help, Amusement

Campus Center, located in the heart of Valley College, houses many facilities.

Services provided through the Student Affairs Office, CC 100, include a lost and found, distribution of

the Student Weekly Bulletin, and information—regarding campus activities, student functions, clubs, and

student government. These services may be obtained Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The Fireside Room, CC 101, offers a quiet place to study or relax between classes during the hours of 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Fridays.

Another place you can go for pure relaxation is the Recreation Room. Amusement games available in the basement of Campus Center include pinball, foosball, and billiards. You may even enter tournaments. The room is open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Have a suggestion for or a complaint about our campus? Speak to the student government president, vice-president, or one of the commissioners. Their offices are in CC 102.

The S/He Center, CC 108, is designed to provide aid to the returning student and the non-traditional student. Personal development workshops are also sponsored by S/He (Students in Humanistic Experience). The center is open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Learning Center, located in the lower level of Campus Center, offers a self-paced program, individualized instruction, and the use of various media and supplies. The materials are available to students and the general population between the hours of 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Fridays.

Monarch Hall is used for dances, films, guest speakers, the Dean's Tea, and many other events.

A convenient place to buy your textbooks and other supplies, such as notebooks, paper, pens, pencils, scantrons, and gym outfits, is the Bookstore. The hours are 7:30 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. on Fridays.

To purchase an Associated Student Body membership, pay club dues, or obtain a parking sticker, the Business Office is the place to go between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Need a job? The Placement Office, located on the west side of Campus Center, may be of some assistance to you. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

These opportunities, which offer convenience, assistance or relaxation for the student body, are provided for your benefit. You are encouraged to take advantage of them.



STILL GOING STRONG—is this Maytag washing machine, available for viewing in the Historical Museum.

## Museum Showcases Historic Valley Relics

"Not all Maytag repairmen are this lonely, but we're trying," is the motto stated in the Maytag washing machine commercials.

The validity of this slogan can be attested to by Dr. James Dodson, curator of Valley's Historical Museum.

In 1978 the museum acquired a 1923 Maytag washing machine...and it still works.

This is just one of the many artifacts you can see by visiting Bungalow 15 between the hours of noon and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The museum, which contains a collection of articles pertaining to the history of Valley College as well as the history of the San Fernando Valley, is located in the original Administration Building.

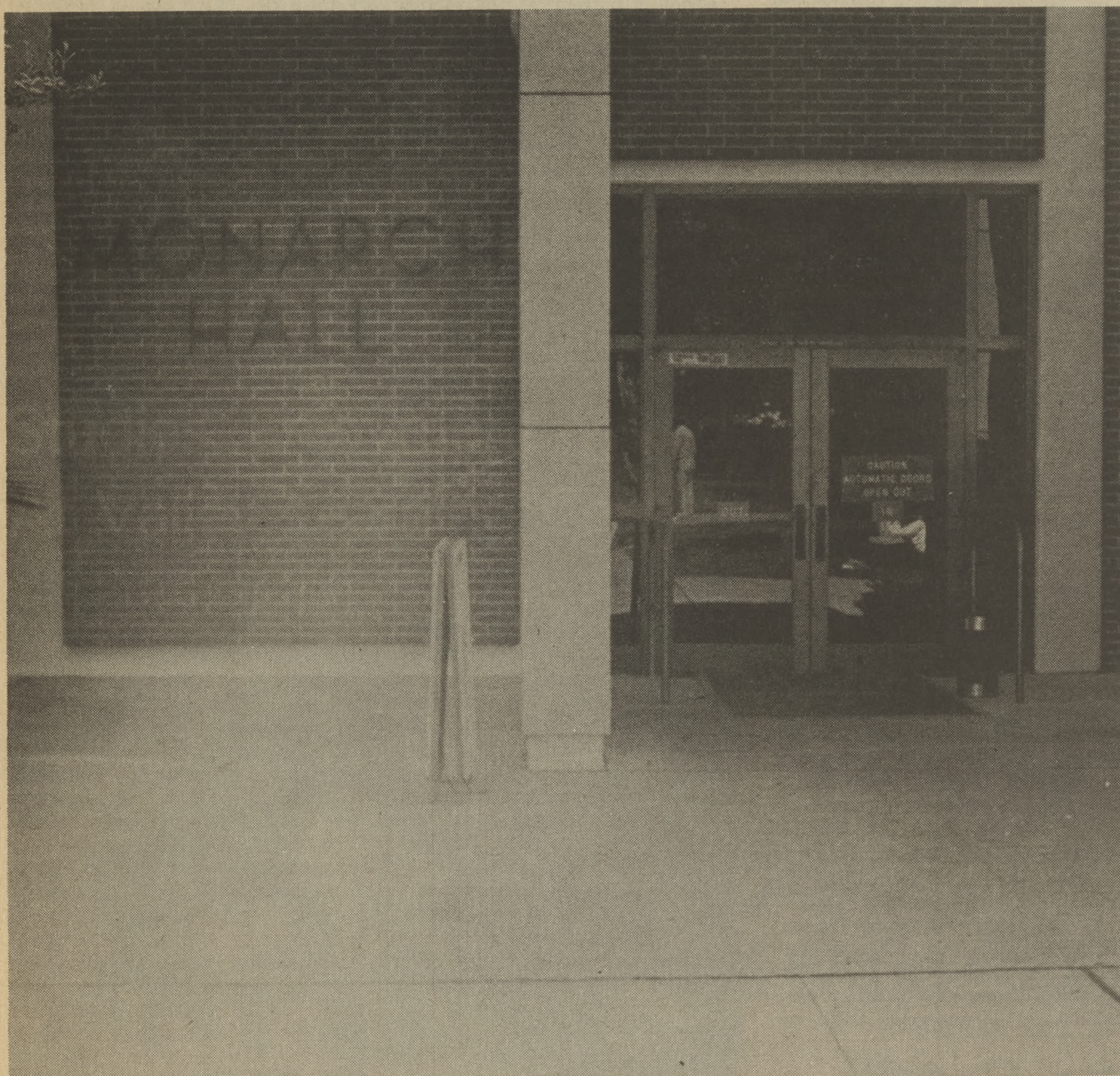
Other items in the museum include lithographs, paintings, and photographs of the 19th and early 20th Century Valley, early maps and

real estate plats of the Valley, tools and furnishings from the Lankersheim Ranch, a collection of tapes recording Valley life as seen through the eyes of long-time Valley residents, an exhibit of stone artifacts used by early man, a geologic exhibit containing rocks and fossils found in the Valley, and a collection of Valley College publications.

A library of books and pamphlets relating to the history of the Valley from 1821 to the present is also maintained here. The museum will supply you with reference material to do research projects about local history.

If you would like to contribute any document, photograph, artifact, or personal recollection of early Valley happenings, the museum personnel would appreciate acquiring it.

Dodson, who taught history here when the campus opened in September 1949, retired in 1975, the year the museum opened.



THESE HALLOWED HALLS—Monarch Hall, in the center of campus, is the focal point for many cultural and social events at Valley.

## Job Assistance for Students Available in Placement Office

With the cost of living rising and books and other expenses climbing even higher, now may be the time to think about getting a job. The Valley College Placement Center, located at Campus Center 116, can help.

Last year the Office referred approximately 22,000 students to prospective employers, according to Office chief Sharis Cross. All types of jobs are available: part-time, full-time, clerical, delivery, sales, and food service. All are broken down into categories, such as summer jobs,

household, yardwork, and miscellaneous.

Cross said that in addition to those mentioned above, the Office offers full-time careers in fields such as computer programming and electronics.

To make themselves available for placement, students must first fill out an application card and attend one 15 minute orientation in the Placement Office. The orientation consists of an explanation of how the office operates and how to apply for a

job. Once registered, students can apply for up to three jobs a day.

Cross explained that employers from all areas send job notices to the Office which has been operating long enough to build up a rapport with clients including major corporations who regularly send notices. Cross said that catalogs are sent out each semester to prospective clients to make them aware of what Valley offers.

In addition to employment, the Office assists students who need tutors, typists, housing, work permits, and employment information and counseling.

Each semester the Office assists Valley students in choosing a career by sponsoring the Occupational Exploration Series which brings speakers in various occupational fields to the campus, and schedules recruiters on-campus on a regular basis.

## Many Interests Represented In Fall Catalog

When you sign up to register for the Fall semester at Valley, there are literally hundreds of courses to choose from, both to meet general education requirements, or to spark your interest in a subject.

"We're doing everything we can do to meet the needs of the students," said Hugh Moore, assistant Dean of Academic Planning.

Basic, general education courses, that are required for graduation, are taught frequently, throughout the day. These include English, history, science, and math courses.

For those with specialized interests in mind there are ethnic studies, foreign languages, broadcasting, music, industrial arts, and many more.

Moore explained that subjects go through "popularity cycles," that keep certain classes in demand. Years ago, in the first flush of excitement over the Apollo space flights, there was a rush to sign up for astronomy and physics classes.

At present, says Moore, the most popular classes seem to be engineering and drafting, reflecting the growing number of jobs in those fields. To make room for more of these courses in the schedule Valley was forced to cut back in departments suffering a decline in enrollments, which completes the cycle. "It's pretty hard to say 'no' (to additional classes) when we have the students and the jobs available," said Moore.

## Studies, Enjoyment Mixed At Valley Learning Center

You can learn and have fun at the same time at Valley College's Learning Center.

Audio and video cassettes, slides, and film strips are among the variety of self-instructional equipment available to obtain knowledge in subjects ranging from art to zoology.

These materials are for use by the general public as well as by Valley students. You can study at your own pace for personal enjoyment or to improve your study skills or classwork.

Instructors or student tutors are there to provide assistance to those who request it; and a counselor is available by appointment.

To familiarize yourself with what the Center has to offer, the first time you visit you may listen to an 18-minute orientation tape. The audio

cassette explains what equipment is provided and the procedure in which to receive it, as well as the other services you may need.

Students who want to earn units while using the Center may enroll in Education 5, "Introduction to Media." This class allows you to study with whatever media and materials you wish. In this totally individualized program you work at your own speed on projects of your choosing.

Other credit courses offered are tutorial classes in English, mathematics, and speech.

The Learning Center, located in the lower level of Campus Center, is open from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Fridays.

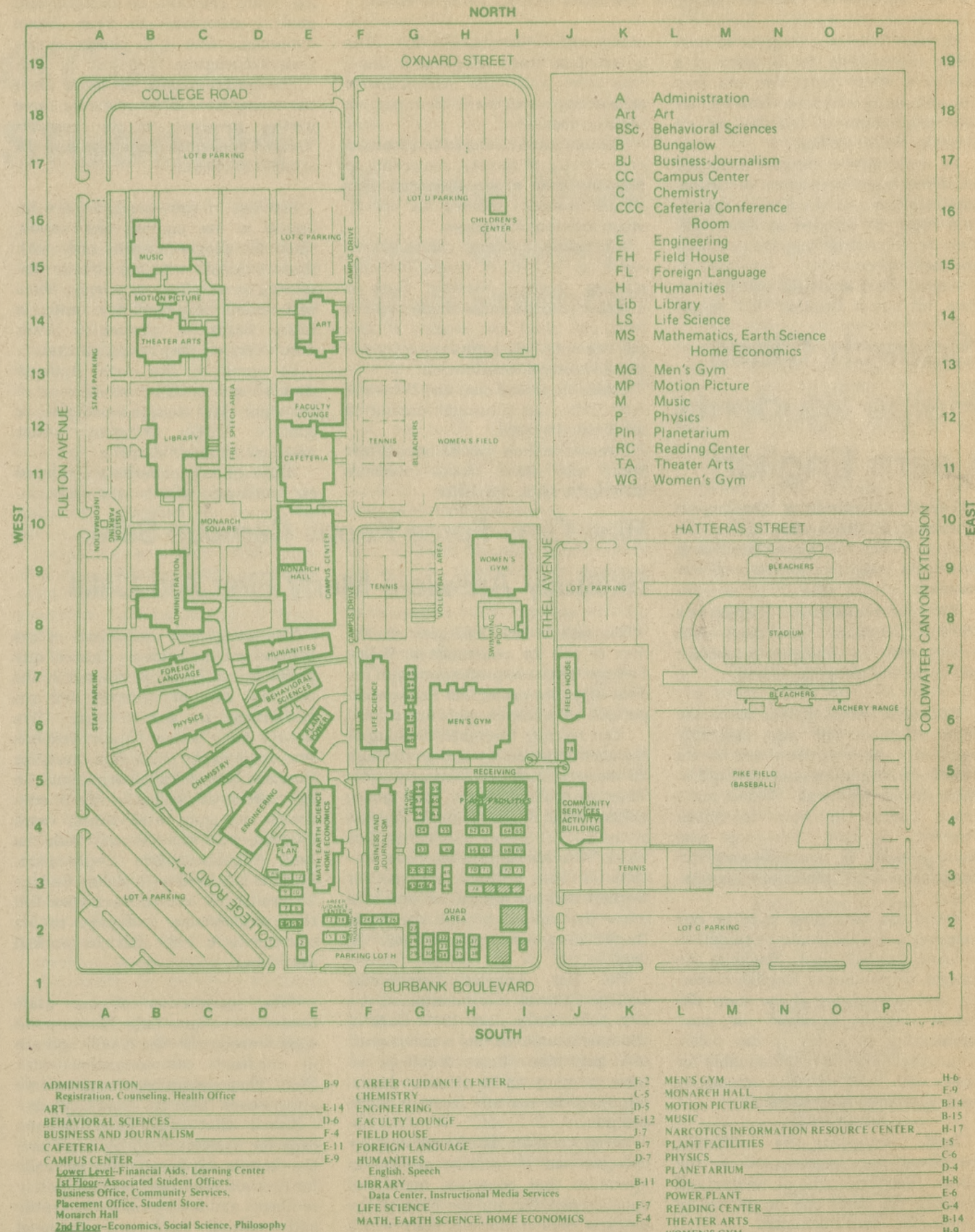
## Career-Oriented Evening Classes Serve Students

Almost half of the Valley College population goes to school at night, said Evening Division chief Ken Palmer.

While the majority of Valley students (54 percent) attend during the day, 46 percent take between three and six hours of classes weekly at night...and usually after an eight-hour day on the job.

Palmer described the typical evening student as "older and not so much motivated by degree pursuit as by upward mobility on the job." He noted students tend to enroll in "more career-oriented subjects."

Guided by department heads, the evening school offers "as full a range of academic programs as possible. Additionally, a local-area committee of business leaders advise college officials annually of market trends that might affect student class selection.



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